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SUBJECT: POLISH LEADERSHIP PLEDGES COOPERATION IN VIETNAM

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1. THIS TELEGRAM SUPPLEMENTS REFTEL WHICH REPORTED MINISTER SLIWINSKI TALKS WITH HEW SECRETARY WEINBERGER.

2. AT MARCH 15 DINNER SLIWINSKI IN PRIVATE CHAT TOLD ASSISTANT SECRETARY STOESSEL POLISH LEADERSHIP WAS VERY SATISFIED WITH DEVELOPMENT OF U. S. AND POLISH RELATIONS AND PLEASED THAT MATTERS AGREED UPON DURING PRESIDENT'S VISIT TO WARSAW WERE BEING IMPLEMENTED. SLIWINSKI REPORTED POLISH LEADERSHIP SAW GOOD PROSPECTS FOR FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF CLOSE TIES, AND IN PARTICULAR WANTED U. S. TO KNOW
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POLISH LEADERS TOOK SERIOUSLY THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES IN VIETNAM AND WISHED TO COOPERATE CLOSELY WITH US IN THAT AREA. SLIWINSKI- GIEREK- S KATOWICE STATEMENT OF MARCH 9 WAS DELIBERATE AND REFLECTED FIRM INTENTION OF POLISH LEADERSHIP. (PER POLISH EMBASSY PRESS RELEASE, GIEREK SAID: " POLAND, A MEMBER OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION OF CONTROL AND SUPERVISION, WILL MAKE EVERY POSSIBLE EFFORT THAT THE CONCLUDED PEACE AGREEMENTS BE IMPLEMENTED. WE MADE THIS CLEAR AT THE PARIS CONFERENCE...")

3. STOESSEL TOLD SLIWINSKI WE WERE PLEASED WITH PROGRESS OF U. S. AND POLISH RELATIONS ADDING THAT PRESIDENT HAS TAKEN PERSONAL INTEREST IN THESE MATTERS. NOTING SLIWINSKI REFERENCE TO POLISH DESIRE TO BE HELPFUL IN VIETNAM, STOESSEL SAID THIS WAS A MATTER TO WHICH WE ATTACHED GREATEST IMPORTANCE. HE REVIEWED BRIEFLY THE SUBSTANCE OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY GREEN' S EARLIER PRESENTATIONS TO TRAMPCZYNSKI UNDERSCORING THAT WE FEEL IT ESSENTIAL ALL MEMBERS OF THE ICCS ACT IMPARTIALLY WITH REGARD TO CEASE- FIRE VIOLATIONS. STOESSEL EMPHASIZED THE PRESIDENT' S PERSONAL INTEREST IN THESE QUESTIONS AND SAID IT OBVIOUSLY WOULD AFFECT OUR VIEW OF U. S.- POLISH RELATIONS.

4. SLIWINSKI REITERATED POLISH DESIRE TO SEE THAT PEACE AGREEMENT WAS IMPLEMENTED.

5. LATER IN CONVERSATION WITH AMBASSADOR TRAMPCZYNSKI WHO HAD NOT PARTICIPATED IN TALK WITH SLIWINSKI, STOESSEL DREW TRAMPCZYNSKI' S ATTENTION TO PRESIDENT' S REMARKS OF MARCH 15 REGARDING NORTH VIETNAM ACTIONS IN VIETNAM WHICH APPEARED TO BE VIOLATIONS OF THE PEACE AGREEMENT. TRAMPCZYNSKI CONFIRMED HE HAD SENT FULL REPORT TO WARSAW OF HIS DISCUSSIONS WITH ASSISTANT SECRETARY GREEN AND ACCOMPANIED IT WITH STRONG RECOMMENDATIONS. ROGERS

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